

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

BRANDON J. RUBIO,

Plaintiff,

V.

ARNEL DE JESUS,

Defendant.

CASE NO. C16-1307-JCC-BAT

**ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR
EXTENSION OF DISCOVERY
DEADLINE**

Plaintiff Brandon J. Rubio moves the Court for an extension of a discovery deadline.

Dkt. 29. For the following reasons, the motion is **DENIED**.

First, the motion seeks relief from a deadline not imposed in this matter. To date, no discovery deadlines have been set in this case. *See generally* Dkt. Rather, it appears plaintiff's motion is directed to deadlines set by a pretrial scheduling order in *Rubio v. King County*, Case No. C16-1269-JCC-JPD. This Court lacks the authority to issue any orders in that case, and therefore declines to grant plaintiff's request.

Additionally, plaintiff improperly filed his motion *pro se* while he was represented by an attorney in this matter. This Court's local rules prohibit a party from acting on his own behalf

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1 while represented by counsel. *See* Local Rules W.D. Wash. 83.2(b)(5).¹ The Court therefore
2 also declines to entertain plaintiff's motion on this basis.

3 Plaintiff's motion, Dkt. 29, is therefore **DENIED**.

4 The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Order to plaintiff and to the Honorable John
5 C. Coughenour.

6 DATED this 17th day of May, 2017.

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9 BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA
10 United States Magistrate Judge
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¹ LCR 83.2(b)(5) provides: "When a party is represented by an attorney of record in a case, the party cannot appear or act on his or her own behalf in that case, or take any step therein, until after the party requests by motion to proceed on his or her own behalf, certifies in the motion that he or she has provided copies of the motion to his or her current counsel and to the opposing party, and is granted an order of substitution by the court terminating the party's attorney as counsel and substituting the party in to proceed pro se; provided, that the court may in its discretion hear a party in open court, notwithstanding the fact that he or she is represented by an attorney."